

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1 line 24 with the following amended paragraph.

The mouthguard described herein has a first inventive feature which includes the base having a lower surface providing a lower ~~occlusal~~ occlusal table which is generally perpendicular to the inner flange.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3 line 26 with the following amended paragraph.

The base 15 of the mouthguard 10 includes upper surfaces 18 extending along each arm 12, with each surface 18 providing an ~~occlusal~~ occlusal table which is generally perpendicular to the flange 13. The surfaces 18 are inclined to the internal surface 19 of the inner flange 13 by an angle between 100 and 120 degrees, preferable 110 degrees.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3 line 30 with the following amended paragraph.

The base 15 is also provided with a pair of lower surfaces 20, each surface 20 extending along an arm 12, with each surface 20 providing a lower ~~occlusal~~ occlusal table. The surface 20 are inclined to the external surface 21 of the outer flange 14 by approximately 90 degrees.